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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to prosecution, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-10 without prejudice and substitute the following claims:

11. Granulated gas charges having combustion vapors that are free of nitrogen oxide and are deficient in carbon monoxide, comprising

- a) 5 to 50% by weight of a binding agent;
- b) oxidizing agents in a quantity 0 to 90% by weight of an oxidizing agent; and
- c) 0 to 75% by weight of an organic fuel.

12. Gas charges according to claim 11, wherein the binding agent is at least one binder selected from the group consisting of cellulose acetate, cellulose acetobutyrate, cellulose triacetate, nitrocellulose and polyvinyl butyral.